

Regular meeting of the City Council

Austin Texas April 2nd 1900

Hon Jno. R. McCall Mayor presiding

Present Aldermen & Clerk called

Bunham Fischer Glass Morris Mortimer

Nolen & Knapp

absent None

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On motion the minutes were approved as recorded by the Clerk without reading.

Petitions memorials etc

Petition of John H. Deeney of the Board of Equalization calling attention to a clerical error in the assessment of Chas Lupton for 1899. and recommending that the same be corrected by the Council

Alderman Bunham moved that this request, together with all communication and petitions on the Clerks desk on the subject of taxes be referred to the Special Committee on appeals, without reading, which motion prevailed

Petition of Ret Kirby to build wooden building in fire limit - By Alderman Fischer Petition of Ret Kirby for permission to erect 4 frame dwellings on Block 170, within the fire limit On motion the petition was referred to the fire commissioners By Alderman Mortimer petition of citizens asking the removal of the Old Skating rink on east 10th street. Read and referred to the Street Committee and City Engineer

Petition to remove Pound. The Mayor laid before the Council a petition from citizens asking the removal of the City pound, which was read and referred to the Committee on Sanitation and Sewerage

Petition of Chas Johnson for damages asking damages for buggy broken caused by running off an embankment on West 6th street. Read and referred to the Committee on Claims and accounts

Petition of citizens asking the passage of an ordinance to prohibit street hacks, express wagons etc from standing in front of their places of business on Congress Avenue one block North and one block South of 6th street. On motion the petition was referred to the Ordinance Committee & City attorney.

Reports of City Officers -

City Clerk report - The Mayor laid before the Council the reports of the City Clerk, the Marshal, the Physician & the Dentist for the Month of March 1900, which were on motion referred to their appropriate Committees without reading. The following is a synopsis of the reports

By the City Clerk

Total amount of Warrants drawn against the Gen fund \$3175.74

Referred to Finance Committee.

By the City Marshal.

Total fines assessed in Mayors Court during the month \$290.00

Paid in Cash \$177.55 Worked out \$183.95 Carried forward \$26.50 = \$290.00

Collected on back fines

\$1140

Pound fees Collected \$22.50
 Referred to Police Committee
 By the City Physician

Phys report	Total number of patients in Hospital March 1st 900	27
Wch. 19..	" " " admitted during "	13
" "	" dismissed "	15
" "	" deaths "	1
" "	" remaining "	21
Number visits & charges	" "	40.
" Prescriptions "	" "	120
" Cases scarlet fever reported	" "	354
" " small pox "	" "	4
No other contagious or infectious diseases reported		2

Referred to Hospital Committee

By the City Doctor

Dexter report	Total no of deaths	19
	White	17
	Col'd	2
	Male	10
	Female	9.

Referred to Cemetery Committee

Reports of Standing Committees

Alderman Stumpf for the Finance Committee presented a Budget for report submitting an estimate of the probable income and expenses of the City Government for the year ending Dec 31st 1900 and recommending its adoption. The report was adopted. The following is the estimate presented.

Estimate of receipts on account of General Revenue for Year ending Dec 31st 1900.

Taxes for 1899	\$59,250.00
" " prior Years.	5,200.00
License Tax	11,000.00
Fines in Mayors Court	2,400.00
Pound fees	4,205.00
Judges, Penalties & Costs each of taxes	2,500.00
Brazos County asst Hospital	2,000.00
Registration of dogs.	600.00
Miscellaneous sources	<u>200.00</u>
Total amount of income	\$ 83,575.00

Estimated expenses of the City Government on account of General Revenue for the year ending Dec 31st 1900.

Salary of Officers	\$10,875.00
" " " Policemen	5,040.00
" " " Firemen	600.00
" " " Post Office	400.00
City Engineer	<u>275.00</u>
Forward	\$ 16,900.00

	Print forward	\$18,090.00
Sanitary Dept including Salaries of drivers Fire	41205.00	
" " "	120,000.00	
Meals for City prisoners	400.00	
City Hospital including salaries	4800.00	
Printing Stationery, Postage Charity	1200.00	
Water & Light	15000.00	
Board of Equalization	900.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>4000.00</u>	
Total amount of expenses	<u>\$ 61,715.00</u>	

Balance

\$ 21,860.00

Stairway Ed. Alderman Morris for the Fire Committee to whom was referred a resolution regarding Stairway at East Austin Fire Hall presented a report stating that according to the measurement of the City Engineer, the said stairway extends over on the property of Mrs. Haged one foot and eleven inches. That they are informed that she desires the Stairway removed from her property. She is unwilling to sell, therefore we do not know of anything else to do, but to move the Stairway if the matter cannot be adjusted by purchase or otherwise. The report of the Committee was adopted.

Stairway Alderman Morris for the Fire Committee to whom was referred the authority to petition of J. F. Tredenberry asking permission to erect an iron put in outside Stairway on the outside of building corner Congress Avenue and West 8th Streets presented a report recommending that the petition be granted, provided the width of the Stairway shall not exceed two and one half feet. The report was adopted.

Alderman Dunham for the ordinance Committee to whom on Aug. 2nd was referred an Ordinance granting to Miss Aubrey Smith time. Alderman Authority to put in a Telephone System, stated that the Committee was not yet ready to report and asked that they be granted time until the next regular meeting in which to report. The request was granted.

New Business

Sale of Land Alderman Dunham an Ordinance authorizing and confirming the sale by the City of Austin and its Board of School Trustees of 276 1/4 acres of land out of the John Gilbert League in Saline County Texas. The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote
Yea Aldermen Dunham Fisher Miss Morris Martinen Nolen & Stumpf

Ways None Alderman Stumpf offered the following resolution which was read and adopted

" Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin that the Water Light & Power Commission of

Said City be and it is hereby requested to extend
the City Water mains to the drill grounds and put
in a fire plug on Said grounds for the use of the
firemen at the approaching Fireman's Tournament -
Said plug to be located under the direction of the
Chief of the Fire Dept."

By Alderman Dunham An ordinance to prohibit
fast driving on that portion of Sabine Street which
is included between 18th & 19th Streets -

The ordinance was passed under suspension of the
rules by the following vote.

Yea Aldermen Dunham Fischer Glass Morris
Mortimer Nolen Stumpf 7
Nays None

By Alderman Stumpf An ordinance remitting the
penalties assessed against the uncollected taxes
for the year 1899. The ordinance was read the first
time, and on motion the rule was suspended and the
ordinance placed upon its second reading by the
following vote

Yea Aldermen Dunham Fischer Glass Morris
Mortimer Nolen Stumpf 7
Nays None

The ordinance was read the second time
Alderman Glass moved to amend the ordinance
by striking out the word "June" wherever it occurs and
inserting in lieu thereof the word "July" which motion
prevailed, and the ordinance as amended was
then passed under a suspension of the rule by the
following vote

Yea Aldermen Dunham Fischer Glass Morris Mortimer
Nolen Stumpf 7
Nays None

By Alderman Stumpf An ordinance appropriating
the sum of \$16.150.00 to pay interest due April 1st 1900
on the water & light bonds of the City - The ordinance
was read the first time and a motion made to suspend
the rule and place the ordinance on its second reading
which was lost by the following vote

Yea Aldermen Fischer Morris Nolen Stumpf 4
Nays Aldermen Dunham Glass Mortimer 3

By Alderman Stumpf An ordinance appropriating the
sum of \$60⁵⁰ to pay the salaries of Special Policemen for
the month of March 1900

The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules
by the following vote

Yea Aldermen Dunham Fischer Glass Morris Mortimer
Nolen Stumpf 7
Nays None

Water main
to Fair Grounds
Prohibit fast
driving Sabine
bet 18th & 19th

Owing time
for penalty 1899
Taxes

To pay interest
on water & light

Pay Sp. Police

At C.

Granted time

to make report

Alderman Dunham moved that the assessment & collection be

granted further time in which to file his report for the month of

March which motion prevailed

Alderman Stumpf offered the following resolution which was

read and adopted

"Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin,

Resolved that the matter of condemning property for street purposes on the
steps to open lake front be referred to the street committee, City Engineer and
Street and Lake City Attorney with instructions to investigate and report to the
front Council the following information

1st The amount and location of property needed for such purposes

2nd The price required by the owner of the property desired

By Alderman Stumpf An ordinance appropriating the sum of
\$1154.42 to pay approved accounts. The ordinance was passed
under suspension of the rules by the following vote

Yea Aldermen Dunham Fischer Glass Morris Martinen
Nolen & Stumpf

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Nays none.

By Alderman Stumpf An ordinance appropriating the sum
of \$131.20 to pay approved accounts street dept

The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote

Yea Aldermen Dunham Fischer Glass Morris Martinen Nolen
and Stumpf

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Ways none.

By Alderman Morris An ordinance regulating the running at
large of dogs and providing for registration of same and fixing a
penalty for the violation of the regulations hereby established
Read the first time and on motion referred to the Ordinance
Committee and City Attorney

Alderman Fischer moved that the ordinance to pay
approved accounts for the month of February 1900, which was
laid on the table subject to call at the last meeting of the
Council be taken up, which motion prevailed, and the
ordinance passed by the following vote

Yea Aldermen Dunham Fischer Glass Morris Martinen
Nolen & Stumpf

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Nays none.

By Alderman Fischer An ordinance appropriating the sum of
\$600. To build an arch culvert across Little Shoal Creek on
West 11th Street. The ordinance was passed under suspension of the
rules by the following vote

Yea Aldermen Dunham Fischer Glass Morris Martinen
Nolen & Stumpf

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Nays none

The Mayor laid before the Council a bill from the Water and
Light Commission for Water Light furnished the City to
March 3rd 1900 which was read and on motion
referred to the Water Light Committee

On motion it was ordered that the next regular meeting of the Council be held on Wednesday April 18th 1900 instead of on Monday April 16th 1900.

On motion the Council adjourned

Geo. O. Johnson
City Clerk